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For:

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Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, DC 20231

May 10, 2000

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AMENDMENT

stant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

May 10'

Sir:

following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application, in response to the Communication issued April 10, 2000.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 16. (Amended) A set of primers selected from the

group consisting of:

[5' ACACTATCAACTTAATTTCTGATCA 3' (SEQ ID NO:5)]

5' AGACTATCAACTTAATTTCTGATCA 3' (SEQ ID NO:5)

5' TAAGGAATGTGAGCACCTTCCTTC 3' (SEQ ID NO:6);

5' GTAATAACCAAATGCAATGTGAA 3' (SEQ ID NO:7)

5' CTACAACACCCTTC7CACAG 3' (SEQ ID NO:8);